

IC 15-17-4

Chapter 4. Personnel

IC 15-17-4-1

State veterinarian; appointment

Sec. 1. (a) The state veterinarian shall be appointed by the board with the approval of the governor.

(b) The state veterinarian serves as the chief administrative officer of the board.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-2

State veterinarian; qualifications

Sec. 2. The state veterinarian:

(1) must:

(A) be a graduate of a recognized veterinary college;

(B) be licensed and accredited to practice veterinary medicine in Indiana; and

(C) have at least five (5) years experience as a general practitioner of veterinary medicine or as a veterinary administrator, or both; and

(2) may not be a member of the board.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-3

State veterinarian; term

Sec. 3. The state veterinarian shall serve a term of four (4) years.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-4

State veterinarian; vacancy

Sec. 4. A vacancy in the office of state veterinarian shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as for a full term.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-5

State veterinarian; duties

Sec. 5. The state veterinarian:

(1) serves as secretary of the board;

(2) provides technical advice and assistance to the board of veterinary medical examiners; and

(3) performs the duties delegated by the board to the state veterinarian.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-6

Organization of board

Sec. 6. The state veterinarian may, subject to the approval of the

board:

- (1) organize the personnel and functions of the board into divisions and subdivisions;
- (2) delegate responsibilities to the divisions and employees; and
- (3) consolidate, divide, or abolish the divisions and subdivisions;

as necessary to carry out the state veterinarian's powers and duties and the powers and duties of the board.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-7

State veterinarian; salary

Sec. 7. The salary of the state veterinarian is fixed by the board with the approval of the governor.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-8

Employees; appointment

Sec. 8. The board:

- (1) may appoint one (1) assistant state veterinarian; and
- (2) shall appoint other employees necessary to carry out this article.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-9

Employees; nonpartisan

Sec. 9. All employees of the board shall be selected on a nonpartisan basis and may not be discharged for political reasons.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-10

Employees; salaries

Sec. 10. The salary of the employees of the board shall be fixed according to IC 4-12-2.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-11

Employees; expenses

Sec. 11. Employees are entitled to receive necessary transportation and per diem expenses while away from the employees' official station and performing official duties.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-12

Prohibited fees; private practice

Sec. 12. (a) An employee may not receive or collect any fee or other payment for any services provided as an employee.

(b) To learn professional skills and become familiar with new developments in the field of veterinary medicine, the state

veterinarian or other veterinarians employed by the board may, in an individual capacity as a licensed veterinarian but not in an official capacity as a board employee, engage in the private practice of veterinary medicine if the private practice of veterinary medicine does not interfere with the employee's performance of duties as an employee of the board or does not violate state laws governing ethics and conflicts of interest.

(c) The board may impose conditions or restrictions on the practice of veterinary medicine by the board's employees to facilitate the performance of board duties and compliance with state ethics laws.

(d) The state is not liable for any act performed by the state veterinarian or a board employee performed in the private practice of veterinary medicine.

As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8.

IC 15-17-4-13

Repealed

(As added by P.L.2-2008, SEC.8. Repealed by P.L.100-2012, SEC.47.)